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Atty. Dkt. No. 053466-0296

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Tadimitsu KISHIMOTO, et al.

Title: CHRONIC RHEUMATOID  
ARTHRITIS THERAPY  
CONTAINING IL-6  
ANTAGONIST AS EFFECTIVE  
COMPONENT

Appl. No.: 09/756,125

Appl. Filing Date: 01/09/2001

Examiner: G. Ewoldt

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Box RCE  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

- ☒ [ X ] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on May 6, 2002.
- ☐ [ ] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_\_ but not considered.
- ☐ [ ] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_.
- ☐ [ ] Other

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b. Enclosed are:

☒ Amendment/Reply.

☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

☐ Information Disclosure Statement.

☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of \_\_\_ listed reference(s).

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Miscellaneous:

☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)				\$740.00	\$740.00
Total Claims:	9	20	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independents:	2	3	0	x \$84.00	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$280.00	\$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					\$740.00

☒ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$400.00	\$400.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$920.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,440.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$1,960.00	\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$400.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$1140.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:			\$1140.00

☒ A check in the amount of \$1140.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date OCTOBER 3, 2002

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